

2021 CREST Awards Nomination Form

Each year the City of Cupertino presents its CREST Awards, "Cupertino Recognizes Extra Steps Taken," to honor the outstanding contributions of its community members.

Award categories (Select one. Multiple nominations must be created on separate forms):

Lifetime Achievement Award (Volunteer) Volunteer of the Year (Volunteer) Organization of the Year (Volunteer) Rising Star of the Year (Volunteer)

- 6) Public Safety Champion of the Year
- 7) Sustainability Champion of the Year

SUBMITTING AN APPLICATION

WHO ARE YOU NOMINATING

Award criteria and nomination requirements are on the back of this form. Complete the information below and attach your answers to the required questions. Please be as detailed as possible. **Applications are due by Friday, February 26, 2021 by 4:30 p.m.** Incomplete nominations will not be accepted. Current Cupertino City Councilmembers, Commissioners, and staff members cannot be nominated. Selection Committee Members cannot make nominations. Final decisions will be shared with all nominators in April 2021.

Organization: Name: Address: Phone: Email: City: **INFORMATION ABOUT YOU** Name: Organization: Phone: Address: Email: City: Submit an application: Email: PIO@cupertino.org

Questions or More Information: <u>BrianB@cupertino.org</u> or (408) 777-3262

CREST Awards Selection Criteria

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

This award recognizes a member of the community who has volunteered in the City of Cupertino for 10-plus years. To nominate someone for this award, please answer the following questions:

- 1. How many years has this person volunteered in Cupertino and for which organizations, events, or programs?
- 2. What contributions has this individual made to the community that are beyond the scope of normal civic responsibilities?
- 3. How has this person's activities made an impact on, or a difference in, the community?

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

This award recognizes individuals who have made a difference to the Cupertino community through volunteer service. To nominate someone for this award, please answer the following questions:

- 1. What contributions did this individual make to Cupertino through volunteer service in 2020?
- 2. What has been the impact of their contributions and how has it addressed a community need?
- 3. How does this person exemplify the spirit of volunteerism?

ORGANIZATION OF THE YEAR

This award recognizes organizations that have made a difference to the Cupertino community through volunteer service. **To nominate someone for this award, please answer the following questions**:

- What contributions did this organization make to Cupertino through volunteer service in
- 2. 2020? What has been the impact of their contributions and how has it addressed a community need?
- 3. How does this organization exemplify the spirit of volunteerism?

RISING STAR OF THE YEAR

This award recognizes an individual who has volunteered in Cupertino for three or less years but shows a continued commitment to the future of the Cupertino community. To nominate someone for this award, please answer the following questions:

- 1. How many years has this person volunteered in Cupertino and for which organizations/efforts?
- 2. What contributions has this individual made to the community that are beyond the scope of normal civic responsibilities? (continued on right)

3. How has this person's activities made an impact or difference on the community?

PUBLIC SAFETY CHAMPION OF THE YEAR

This award recognizes an individual or group that has made an outstanding contribution to the safety of Cupertino. To nominate a Public Safety Champion, please answer the following questions:

- 1. What contributions of time, leadership, and impact has this individual made to enhance public safety efforts in Cupertino?
- 2. How has this individual set the example for others to follow in community interaction? How does this individual stand apart?
- Describe the effort involved, and challenges or obstacles the individual had to overcome, to achieve their success.

SUSTAINABILITY CHAMPION OF THE YEAR

This award recognizes a person or group committed to maintaining a sustainable and healthy place to live, work, and play in Cupertino. The City's Climate Action Plan defines strategies to reduce greenhouse gas emissions through sustainable actions. For more information, visit www.cupertino.org/sustainability.

To nominate a Sustainability Champion, please answer the following questions:

- 1. What did the nominee do?
- 2. How is the action innovative, exceptional, exemplary, or inspirational?
- 3. What was the current and/or future impact on the community/environment (include quantitative impacts if possible)?